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Social and Personal

Today is Christmas Day, and society will be very busy paying informal calls, and open house will be kept by nearly every one up and down the town. Egg-nogg parties will be given in many instances, and all the clubs will be thrown open to the members and their guests. Not a few Christmas trees have been planned, and big and little people will attend them all, with family dinner following late in the evening, and all of the entertaining will be very informal.

The houses are decked with holiday colors, and all the boys and girls that have been attending schools and colleges all over the State, and some of them outside of it, are home again, and family reunions and family dinners are the order of the day. Later in the week many dancing parties and afternoon affairs will be given for the younger society set, and the week will be one of unusual gaiety and brightness.

Stay-at-Home Whist Club.
The Stay-at-Home Whist Club met on Monday evening at the residence of Miss Sue Gordon, 216 West Grace Street. There were three tables playing, and the highest score was made by Mrs. Arthur P. Wilmer and Admiral Harrie Webster. The club will meet on Monday evening of next week at the home of Mrs. J. C. Lamb, 827 West Grace Street.

Visiting Here.
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Agnew, of Beaver, Pa., are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Herbert Mann, at her apartment at 216 Park Avenue for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Agnew returned last week to this country after an extended stay abroad.

Miss Fleming's Debut.
A very pretty tea was given Monday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fleming to present their daughter, Miss Mary Lee Fleming, to Washington society. The house was decorated with holly and palms, while on the tea table were red roses. The large number of bouquets received by the debutante were placed in the drawing-room and library. A stringed orchestra played during the reception. Miss Fleming wore a gown of white chiffon over

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satin and carried a large bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley.

At the tea table were Mrs. Burr James Ramage and Mrs. Griffith Atkinson, and those assisting were Miss Eloise Orme, Miss Katharine White, Miss Virginia Hammond, Miss Ruth Wheaton, Miss Callie Williams, Miss Helen McCumber, Miss Elizabeth Hill, Miss Edna Snyder, Miss Dorothy Le Due, Miss Ellen Pilebrown, Miss Adeline Hammond, Miss Virginia Smith, Miss Faith Snyder, Miss Burke, and Miss Fleming. Following the tea there was a supper and dance, to which a number of men were invited.

Miss Fleming belongs to one of the best known families in the State, and her debut in Washington was an event of wide interest to relatives and friends all over Virginia.

Of Interest Here.

Says a Baltimore exchange of recent issue:

"Mrs. William Walter Abel has issued invitations for the marriage of her daughter, Mildred Leona Zell, to Robert Taylor, Jr., on Wednesday evening, January 8, at 8:30 o'clock, at Emmanuel Church. Following the ceremony there will be a reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Abel, 14 East Lead Street, at which the guests will be the younger set in society and a few of the older people. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Edward Barnes Niver, rector of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church. Miss Mary Donnell Callahan will be maid of honor, and the bridesmaids will be Miss Dorothy Rowland, Miss Clara R. Murray, Miss Nannie Young Hardestad and Miss Selby Zell, the young sister of the bride-elect. George Winthrop Taylor will be his brother's best man, and the ushers will be Joseph Winship, of Atlanta, Ga., a cousin of Mr. Taylor; Richard Lloyd Tighman, John Butler, Charles Lee Packard, Talbot Taylor Spear, a cousin of Mr. Taylor, and George Nicholas. The flower girls will be the young sister and cousin of Mr. Taylor, Misses Frances Taylor and Eleanor Brown.

"After a wedding journey the bride and bridegroom will spend the remainder of the winter with Mr. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, at their residence in Catonsville."

Visiting Relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. Malvern C. Patterson, who have been spending the winter in New York, will be the guests during the Christmas holidays of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Patterson, at their country residence on the Cary Street Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are now visiting their home in the North. Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Williams, Jr., of Norfolk, and their infant daughter, are the guests of Mrs. Williams's mother, Mrs. Russell B. Harrison, in Richmond. Mrs. Saunders and William Henry Harrison are also staying with her.

Engagement Announced.
Mrs. William Henry Couch, of West Lynchburg, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Minnie Couch, to James H. Edmonds, of that city. The wedding will take place January 8 at St. Paul's Church, in Lynchburg.

At Westover.
Mrs. Sears Ramsey, of Westover, is giving a large dinner and house party Friday evening of this week at her historic country place on James River. Mrs. Ramsey is entertaining a house party for the holidays in honor of her debutante daughter and her sons, who are Harvard students. A number of young men and girls from Richmond have been invited down Friday afternoon for the dinner and dance, and will spend the night at Westover and return to town next day.

Quiet Wedding.
A very quiet marriage was solemnized Monday at 1 o'clock at the First Christian Church, Lynchburg, in the presence of a few friends and relatives, when Miss Hattie Ward Burnett became the bride of Louis Jackson Evans. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ritchie Ware, the bride's pastor.

The bride is well known in that city, and is a sister of J. J. Burnett. The groom is in the employ of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company. The bride was gown in a traveling suit of blue, with hat and gloves to match.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Evans left on a Western bridal tour, to include Columbus, Cincinnati and St. Louis. They will be at home to their friends after January 1, at 1705 Main Street, in Lynchburg.

In and Out of Town.
Miss Florence Clarke, of England, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Crump and Miss Lora Crump at the Chesterfield.

Miss Belle Willard has returned from Baltimore, where she has been for a few days fox hunting in Green Spring Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Smyth, of this city, have gone to New York City to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Meacham.

Miss Nora Hitt, of Elkton, is in the city for ten days as the guest of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Garrett Tabb will move into their apartment at the Chesterfield after January 1.

Maurice Loth, of Waynesboro, is spending some time in the city as the guest of friends.

John Hobson, of Schenectady, N. Y., has been in Richmond a short time, en route for his home in Powhatan County.

Mrs. Lawrence Henderson, who has been in Richmond for the past several weeks, has returned to her home in Waynesboro.

Miss Eleanor Kent, who is a student at Hollins College, is spending Christmas at the University of Virginia.

Colonel and Mrs. James Mann and little son, of Norfolk, are guests at the executive mansion this week.

Miss Janet Montague, of Hollins, is spending the holidays with her parents, former-Governor and Mrs. A. J. Montague.

Miss Sarah Mason, of Lynchburg, is spending some time with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Jordan, of Craigsville, are the guests of Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. J. Taylor Eliason.

James Madison Macon has gone to Orange, where he is spending Christmas with his brother.

Mrs. Thomas Avee, who has been visiting friends in Lynchburg, has returned to Richmond.

Miss Lottie May Hurt will leave on Thursday for Sanford, Fla., to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. Laverne Hurt, and will later spend some time in Miami and Jacksonville.

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BY LA MARQUISE DE FONTENAY.
LORD LONDONDERRY'S sister, Lady Ida Sitwell, famous as an ornithologist, is once more in financial trouble. Her monetary troubles have time and again engaged the attention of the courts and necessitated the intervention of her husband, Sir George Sitwell, and of her relatives.

The present occasion, however, is sufficiently serious to have caused her to take her departure from England for the Continent, and it remains to be seen whether she will remain here, a virtual exile from her native land, whether her people will be willing to pay a sum of \$20,000 for her in order to stop further judicial proceedings, or whether she will return to England and go into court for the sake of clearing her fair name of the very serious imputations that have been brought against her.

Happy Yuletide Greetings to All

We desire to extend to our patrons and friends a MERRY CHRISTMAS and our best wishes for your health and a prosperous NEW YEAR.

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Greeting

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We shall always endeavor to retain this friendly regard by catering to patrons in a manner most satisfactory to them.

With feelings of sincere thanks we wish our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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To One and All We Wish a Happy Christmas

We desire to extend to all our many friends and patrons a sincere wish that they may enjoy a happy Christmas and that during the coming year many rich blessings will be theirs; that happiness, health, a long and useful life may be the part of all, and we also wish to assure you that we appreciate more than mere words can tell the many kind favors bestowed upon us during the passing year, and in the future as in the past, we will always strive to merit that confidence, which your liberal patronage indicates. With peace and good will towards all, we remain, yours truly,

THALHIMER BROS.

May You Enjoy A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

For the abundance of success and prosperity which we have enjoyed the past year, to which each and every one of our valued customers have contributed a share, we are deeply grateful.

To merit a continuance of the same loyal patronage with which we have been favored in 1912 shall be our unceasing, unremitting effort in 1913 and all the years that come thereafter.

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ever, had their eye on the man, and instead of punishing him for sedition, they set to work to win him over. Finding pecuniary bribes to be of no avail, they appealed to his vanity by offering him first a barony and then

Lord Castlemaine, whose beautiful Athlone home, known as Maydram Castle, has just been destroyed by fire, has fortunately another still more picturesque country seat on Hare Island, on Lough Ree, in County Westmeath, and, like the Earls of Erne and Ennis, the latter is able to indulge in the favorite sport of fresh water yachting. One of the representative peers of Ireland, he is in no sense of the word descended from that Lady Castlemaine who died as Duchess of Cleveland and who played so evil a role at the court of Charles II., as one of his favorites. The present Castlemaine peerage is just one hundred years old and was bestowed in 1812 upon William Handcock, constable and Governor of Athlone, under rather peculiar circumstances. He had been one of the principal opponents in the Dublin Parliament to the Union and was more than anyone else responsible for its defeat when first introduced in 1793. Indeed he vowed his eternal hostility to so inflexible a measure, he pledged himself to God and man to resist it to extremity, and not only composed, but also set to music and sang on every occasion, one of the best known and popular of the anti-Union songs. Lord Castlemaine and Lord Cornwallis, how-

the Viscountcy of Castlemaine. They accomplished their end, and he wound up by creating, and even singing songs in honor of Lord Castlemaine, in behalf of the Union. (Copyright, 1912, by the Brentwood Company.)